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## NOVELTY BALL CO. SOON BE RUNNING

The Auto Novelty Ball Company, of which Charles and Walter Cowell are the owners, have been making slow progress in getting started, but expect that by April 1st they will be turning out about a thousand balls per day.

Mr. Charles Cowell has been devoting his entire time to getting ready for manufacturing and says that it has taken months to get the machines made as they were something new, and entirely new designs and patterns had to be prepared. To begin with it necessitated an almost endless amount of correspondence before designers and patternmakers could be found who were willing to do the work. And this followed with further correspondence and experimenting.

Some of the new outfit has arrived and will only need to be assembled, and installed when the firm will be ready to go ahead on production. About April 1st, according to Mr. Cowell, will find them in operation.

While all this delay has been going on Mr. Cowell says he has been busy experimenting on the manufacture of other articles, including bases for electric floor lamps. These, he says, are meeting with instant favor and they already have orders for many. They are made in many shades, the most popular of which is polished black with gold veins. The flooring for vestibules and sidewalks and floors for bathrooms also will be in line for manufacture.

Things appear to be looking very bright for this new industry of ours, and we trust may work out to the great benefit of Grayling as well as its deserving promoters.

## Selwood of Sleepy Cat

By FRANK H. SPEARMAN

IN THIS STORY of rapid action, Mr. Spearman has gone back to his early love—of writing tales of the West in stage coach and Indian days, when the railroad had just started to cross the frontier, when men lived enthusiastically, loved truly and were quick on the trigger. If you have read "Whispering Smith," "Nan of Music Mountain" or any of his other fascinating novels, we shall not be surprised if you find this one the best of all.

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The Avalanche  
Beginning next week

# DOLLAR DAY

SATURDAY, FEB. 5, WILL BE DOLLAR DAY IN GRAYLING,  
when Grayling merchants will offer some REAL Dollar Bargains.  
Save your dollars for Dollar Day

## MASKED BALL TO BE A SCREAM

With the date of the big masquerade ball drawing near, many are searching their rag bags and attics, as well as their neighbors', to find things to wear to disguise themselves or this big annual affair. Many dance-goers from Gaylord and Roscommon are planning on attending, and it looks as though there will be a record-breaking crowd.

The members of the American Legion post have completed all arrangements, committees have been appointed and, as in former years, everything will be carried out in "apple pie" order.

There will be tempting tunes by Schram's Ramblers, and the program includes waltzes, fox-trots, one-steps and two-steps. Be there for the opening dance "when the band starts playing."

Do not forget that prizes will be awarded to the best dressed lady and gent, the most comical couple and most comical dressed lady and gent. Masks will be removed at 10:30; previous to that time no unmasked dancers will be allowed on the dance floor.

The prices of admission are \$1.50 per couple, masked lady unaccompanied, 50c; spectator, 50c. You will enjoy the good lunch that will be included and served late in the evening. Everybody cordially invited.

## LEGISLATURE NOW AT RECESS WHILE MEMBERS JUNKET

Legislative Committees Are Visiting Institutions to Study Needs

Governor Wins on Lobbyists; Lennon Seeks Detroit Crime Probe

Lansing, Jan. 23.—Michigan's senators and representatives are scattered to the four corners of the state today. The Capitol is almost depleted of lawmakers, as the legislature has recessed from January 20 until February 2 to allow the many legislative committees to visit the various state institutions to secure first hand information regarding their condition and financial needs.

In the face of already high taxes and budget requests for the next two years totalling \$78,702,025 as compared with \$60,446,138 for the past two years, the legislators realize that they must pare these requests considerably. They are now acquainting themselves with the various governmental institutions and activities so that they can pass judgment intelligently when voting away the public funds.

At the end of the first three weeks of the session, 54 bills and several resolutions had been introduced and were pending before committees. During this present recess many of the members are putting the finishing touches on a whole flock of proposals which will probably be dumped into the legislative hopper on February 2.

February 2.

**Would Allow Income Tax**  
A constitutional amendment to empower the legislature to draw up a new system of taxation for the state, including a state income tax, has been introduced in the House by Rep. Wilber B. Snow of Comstock. The proposed amendment would authorize the legislature to "classify real estate, personal property and income for the purpose of taxation."

Not as radical or fundamental in character, but having a much better chance of passage is the bill being fathered by Rep. Douglas Black of Twinning which would postpone the last day for paying general property taxes without penalty from January 10 to February 10. This measure passed the House two years ago, but died in the Senate committee.

As a means of coping with the chicken thief situation, Rep. Luther E. Hall of Ionia has introduced a bill to require every poultry buyer to obtain and record on blanks to be furnished by the Secretary of State, detailed information regarding each lot of poultry purchased. This information would include: date of purchase, name of seller, his or her residence, color, color of hair, eyes, weight, weight, business occupation, kind of poultry purchased, the number thereof, whether such poultry was raised by such seller or purchased of others, and if purchased from others, then the name of the person from whom so purchased and the date thereof. If the poultry were delivered in a motor vehicle, the purchaser would also have to record the auto license number. This bill will undoubtedly arouse a great deal of interest, as it is being introduced to be on the increase in many parts of the state.

## May Debar Lobbyists

Governor Green has sent the legislature a special message in which he called their attention to the activities of John L. Lovett, general manager and lobbyist for the Michigan Manufacturers' Association. After calling attention to Mr. Lovett, by name, the Governor declared, "When any man is a lobbyist, no matter what position he has held or is holding he should automatically be barred from the floor. You are entitled to have your deliberations unhampered by the presence of lobbyists. If your rules are not adequate to permit me to respectfully suggest that they be made to cover this point."

Rep. Burton G. Camenson of Charlotte promptly introduced a resolution that the Speaker and two representatives constitute a committee to examine and pass upon all lobbyists. However, nothing definite has been yet done in this regard.

The Detroit newspapers were thrown into an uproar when Sen. Peter B. Lennon, who lives near Flint, introduced a resolution to provide for a special committee of four representatives and three senators to investigate conditions in Detroit pertaining to crime, vice, the courts and the police department. The Detroit members did not take kindly to this resolution and Rep. Archie Reid of Detroit promptly introduced a resolution using almost the same language, but providing for a legislative investigation of the crime situation in Flint, instead of Detroit.

## Public Hearing on Mine Disaster

The first public hearing by the 1927 Legislature was held January 19 before the rules and resolutions committee of the House. It related to the Barnes-Hecker mine cave-in, which occurred November 3 and resulted in the death of 52 miners. Rep. John Holland of Bessemer is sponsoring the bill.

## GRAYLING "INDIES" LOSE TO E. J.

Grayling Independents dropped their second game of the season here last Saturday night to the fast K. of P. Five of East Jordan, Saturday night on the local floor 30 to 22.

The locals seemed incapable of getting started right and their numerous chances of scoring were quite in vain, the ball, time and time again rolling around the loop only to bound out.

East Jordan presented a smooth working basketball machine, centering their plays around Lee, a former Kalamazoo college star, now coaching the East Jordan high school basketball team. He demonstrated some keen dribbling and his ability of eluding the opposing guards for an open shot at the basket was quite spectacular. He and Swafford starred for East Jordan and Reynolds and Johnson for the local Independents.

"Mutt" Burrows' Cubs took the second high school team into camp, playing the preliminary to the big game and carrying off the honors by a score of 12 to 6.

Andrew Price of Roscommon won the prize for being present at the game with the largest family, the prize being free admittance for him and his family to all future games this season played by the Independents.

Plan on attending the Junior carnival at the school gymnasium, January 29th. There will be fun galore.

Remember, there is a difference in Bread—Blue Bird.

soring a resolution asking the state to make inquiry into the cause of the disaster and to prevent the mine owners from sealing the shaft before removing 42 bodies still in the mine.

While there are no new developments in connection with the proposed fifth normal, another unborn state institution is much in the limelight. This is the proposed new tuberculosis sanatorium for which \$500,000 was appropriated by the 1925 Legislature. The legislative committee which had been empowered to select the site reported in favor of space on state property adjacent to the University of Michigan hospital at Ann Arbor. While Governor Green was holding a conference with University and public health officials regarding this matter, Sen. Seymour H. Person of Lansing introduced a bill to repeal the law passed two years ago, providing for this institution and making the half million dollar appropriation.

Many of the new bills thus far introduced are highly technical in nature and are of interest to but few people. One would repeal the law passed two years ago prohibiting the killing of black bear, while another measure would forbid chiropodists from amputating a foot or toe. Another proposal which will get more newspaper publicity than votes, is Rep. Chase Cude's bill to allow the trial judge to add to any sentence for murder, attempted murder or assault, ten to twenty strokes of the lash on the bare back, well laid on at the end of each six months imprisonment, the total not to exceed 300 strokes.

## GOV. GREEN EXPLAINS

The following letter was received from Gov. Green in reply to an editorial in the Avalanche, in which regret was expressed that T. F. Marston was not retained on the conservation commission:

State of Michigan Executive Office  
Lansing  
January 24, 1927.

Mr. O. P. Schumann,  
Crawford Avalanche,  
Grayling, Michigan.

Friend Schumann:  
I note with genuine regret the fact that my appointments to the Conservation Department have not met with your approval.

I kept one member of the old commission on account of his outstanding work in behalf of the public parks. I did not keep Mr. Marston because of his political activities and because I felt I should have men around me who were friendly to my ideas. I cannot think that the old commission or its members had the highest ideals for the conservation service or else they would not have been a member of the commission when John Baird was turning the entire force into a political machine.

It is extremely difficult to allow geography to be the ruling factor in making appointments. I endeavored to get the very best men that seemed available. I trust you will be patient with them as they have a difficult job before them. If you could see the Conservation Department today from the inside, I believe they would have your sympathy.

With kindest personal regards, I am  
Sincerely yours,  
Fred W. Green.

FWG:LV

## GOOD FELLOWSHIP CLUB NOTES

Mrs. Ernest Larson was hostess to the Good Fellowship club Monday evening. Sixteen members responded to roll call with current events.

After business and word study, Miss Mildred Bates read a paper on three poets, Lowell, Whitier, and Holmes, and a paper on Augustus St. Gardens was read by Mrs. Kraus, with illustrations of some of his most famous works of art.

Meeting adjourned.

## WOMAN'S CLUB NOTES

The club met at the home of Mrs. George McCullough Monday evening, January 24th.

Mrs. H. H. Poole, a former member, was a guest of the club. She is a member of the faculty, Woman's club of Ann Arbor.

Mrs. Doll Walt gave a splendid book report on Warwick Deering's new book "Sorrell and Son." This is a story of a father and son, and gives a fine example of loyalty and perfect understanding.

Margaret Hemmingson was current events leader. She passed out clippings from late papers and each member of the club read a topic of general interest.

After the meeting Mrs. McCullough served a delicious lunch. This was by way of a surprise, the occasion being her birthday. Tall red tapers made the table very attractive and each guest was served a piece of birthday cake with a miniature lighted candle in the center.

After a pleasant social hour the club members departed, wishing Mrs. McCullough many happy returns of the day.

A beautiful electric table lamp will be given away at the Junior carnival, Jan. 29th. Get in on this; you may be the lucky one to get it!

## Behind the Scenes

THE most important work we do goes on "behind the scenes"—in our prescription room. When your prescription is compounded by us you may rest assured that you are getting exactly what the physician specifies.

Only the best ingredients from houses with a high standing for reliability are used.

When sickness comes, we want you to feel that you can confidently depend upon us to fill the prescription right.

Grayling, Mich.

## Principal Events In Grayling 25 Years Ago

INTERESTING ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED FROM THE FILES  
OF THE AVALANCHE OF 25 YEARS AGO.

Thursday, January 30, 1902

A baby boy came to bless the home of Mr. and Mrs. Steve O'dell at Lewiston, the 17th inst.

Henry Trumley has been appointed County Agent of the Board of Corrections and Charities, in place of A. H. Wisner, deceased.

John J. Coventry went to Muskegon the first of the week to attend the Grand Lodge F. & A. M., as a representative of Grayling lodges.

Charles Butler returned from his trip to Toledo Sunday morning. He stopped at Homer on his way and was accompanied from there by his daughter, Mrs. Anna Belle Blak.

Miss May Blanshan began a three months term of school in the Wilcox district last Monday. It was a dandy day for a starter, with its now and blizzard.

Chris. Peterson came in Monday evening, walking six miles on the railroad. Tuesday, if you only looked at his ears, you could have easily mistaken him for a mule. They were badly frozen.

A delightful evening and a sumptuous banquet last Thursday attended the installation of the L. O. T. M. officers for the ensuing year. The only criticism we have heard, was of the wonderful appetite of Simpson, and the next day the ladies were anxiously inquiring of him for the spoons, but he would not acknowledge that his name was Butler.

Married—At the residence of the bride's parents in this village, Wednesday evening, Jan. 29th, Miss Jessie Mae Owen and Holger C. Schmidt, Rev. H. Goldie officiating.

As we are making up the forms for press Wednesday afternoon, we learn of the death of Mrs. Edward Owen from heart trouble, with which she has been a long time suffering.

A laborer from West Branch was killed by a falling tree in John Howse's camp Tuesday morning, and a man named Cutler died at Deward Tuesday from exposure to the cold Sunday night.

John Leece was drawing hay last Saturday when his horse got on a rampage, throwing him from the load and catching him under the sleigh. He was drawn several rods and considerably scratched and bruised, but it is hoped he is not

severely injured.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubbard Head of South Branch were in town last week shopping and visiting. It is his first visit here for some time, as he is being regularly smashed up in a run away, one following another as he is able to get out. He wears a crutch which does not improve his appearance, but he is as genial and welcome as ever, and we hope to hear of no further runaway foolishness.

We unlock the forms to report the burning of Edward Owens home at midnight, and the cremation of the dead body of his wife therein. Just how it occurred cannot be known, as he was alone with the body, in a half drunken stupor, and unable to give any account, barely escaping with his own life, hatless, coatless and shoeless. The house is so far from the village nothing was saved and it is thought the body was entirely consumed.

Mr. and Mrs. John Leece were called to Jackson county last week by the death of his brother Thomas Leece, of Munith, who came from his birthplace in England in 1854, and has lived in the township of Henrietta for 43 years, an honored and respected citizen. Mrs. Leece will remain for some time visiting old friends. John returned Saturday to look after matters in the home here.

John Leece stopped in Jackson last week and had a pleasant visit with E. E. Hartwick and Thos. Woodfield, whom he found doing an immense business. He reports but little snow in that section, and the big marsh north of Jackson burned over last week. George Hall, former Graylingite, is in the employ of Hartwick & Woodfield, and as ever is a trusted employee.

## Judge Items

The departure of Mrs. Thos. Judge for Idaho is deeply regretted by the community.

Miss Emily Bishopric of Weyevale, Ontario is visiting her sister, Mrs. Jos. Simms and Mrs. Chas. Douglas of Grayling.

Mr. Jos. Day was called to Detroit on account of the serious illness of Mrs. Day.

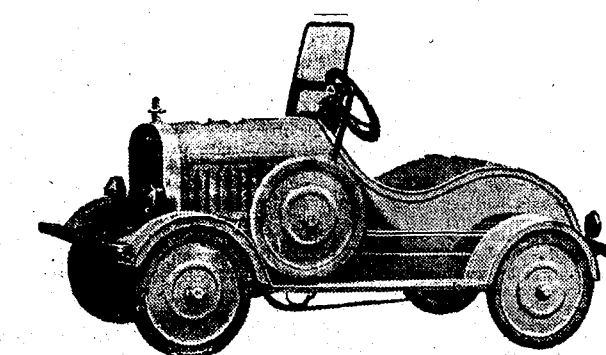
T. E. Douglas & Co. are getting in a large stock of shingle bolts, and the mill will be ready for business in a short time.

tion, followed by Senator Karcher, R. S. Babbitt and others. After the speaking there will be a general discussion of conservation matters.

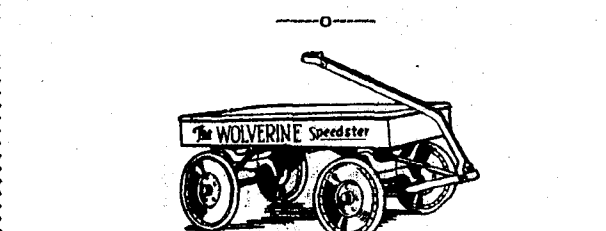
A hearty invitation is extended to all sportsmen and conservationists of this and other counties.

See the fat lady at the Junior carnival, January 29th.

## SPORT MODEL AUTO FIRST PRIZE



## COASTER WAGON SECOND PRIZE



## KIDDIE CAR THIRD PRIZE

Who will be the lucky boy or girl to win these prizes?

## HOW THEY STAND

Alfred Galloway.....	4,640	Zilma Hiltz.....	4,330
Ellen King.....	2,560	Lela Gierke.....	1,900
Dorothy Horning.....	1,880	Henry LaBrash.....	1,025
Buddie Sorenson.....	610	Clifford Malloy.....	530
Carl Peterson.....	210	Frank Owen.....	150

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Grayling, Mich.



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O. P. SCHUMANN, Editor.

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#### SKETCHES OF FOREIGN PRAISE

Americans who believe in their own country and who have not been won to an admiration of European social and political life by reason of a tax dodging residence abroad are at times unduly disturbed by the foreign journalistic and political interpretation of our national activities. One general rule can be laid down for the valuing of these proclamations. If Europe goes into spasms of praise over an American demonstration in the foreign field then, without any reservation, the American citizen can at once assume that we have pulled a boner and that we are in the way as the small boy would say it of getting "all wet."

If, on the other hand, the foreign journalistic command and European governmental and parliamentary bodies begin to proclaim with sobs in their voices that we are off on the wrong foot and that something unfortunate is certain to happen, the American citizen is entitled to put a flower in his buttonhole, walk down and give the order for an addition to his plant because it is dollars to doughnuts we are on the right track. All this is low down language for a high-faluting topic but it is the truth and that sometimes requires bluntness to be made appreciated.

### Editorial Paragraphs

What a relief it must be to a lot of the boys to know they are not going to be sued by the government for thirty-four million unpaid income tax.

Mexico threatens to boycott American goods. If Americans will quit buying Mexican booze that will make it unanimous.

Four more boarders have just been shot in Detroit by jealous husbands. Being a boarder is now recognized as one of the hazardous occupations.

Capital punishment would get a lot more sympathy if they'd agree to hang all the scoundrelmongers first.

What a wonderful time King Ben and Aimee would have made in the old days.

What has become of the old-fashioned taxpayer who was always first to pay his winter taxes?

If the state becomes too hard pressed for money to pay salaries somebody might look up the gent who was offering to buy the Chelsea cement plant last summer.

## Build== Then Insure!

The wise man builds his home, then he sees right away that it's properly "covered" by insurance.

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Avalanche Building

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## Local News

Doris and Ethel Wilcox left last week for Cleveland, Ohio, where they will remain indefinitely.

Harry Hemmington is in Johannesburg on business for Kerry & Hanson Flooring Co.

Miss Helen Babbitt of the Cooley & Cooley store is assisting in the Gift Shop during inventory.

Mrs. George Cornell, wife of Dr. Cornell of Gaylord visited her son, Leo Gannon and family over Sunday.

There will be no dance at the Temple Saturday night on account of the Junior Carnival at school gymnasium.

Mrs. Harry Hum returned home Wednesday from Bay City where she has been serving on the jury in Federal court.

Hurl Deckrow who is employed in Flint arrived Sunday morning to spend three weeks visiting at his home here.

Miss Angela Ambroski, who is at her home in Gaylord recuperating from a several weeks illness, was in Grayling Saturday.

Edward Papendick, while splitting wood at his home last evening, was struck in the face near his eyes by a piece of wood, necessitating a trip to the doctor.

Many enjoyed the pancake supper given by the M. E. Sunday school at the Michelson Memorial church last Thursday evening, which netted that organization a neat little sum.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold G. Jarmin are enjoying a visit from the former's cousin, Miss Florence Scott of Bay City, who arrived yesterday. She will remain for several weeks.

"Selwood of Sleepy Cat," an old-time wild west serial story, will begin in the Avalanche next week. If you like wild west stories of the old days, you should be sure to read this one.

Mrs. Charles Hewitt and little son, Fletcher Charles, returned Saturday to their home in Detroit after spending a couple of months visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Fletcher of the military reservation.

Alfred Babbitt's Sunday school class of boys will meet at his home tomorrow evening and go on a sleighride party, afterwards going to the home of Arnold Lauridsen Jr., where they will be served with refreshments.

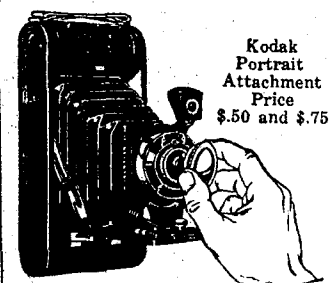
Members of the Salling Hanson Company yard crew claim that they saw a crow at 8:00 o'clock Monday morning, which is said to be a sure sign of spring. With temperatures hovering around 25 below zero point, it seems a long ways off.

A delightful luncheon was enjoyed by the Bridge club ladies Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Holger Peterson, followed by bridge in the afternoon. The high score was held by Mrs. Robert Gillett. Mrs. H. H. Pool of Ann Arbor was a guest of the club.

At Federal court in Bay City last week Lon Collen and James Post of this city paid \$500 fine each, pleading guilty to violation of the prohibition law. The trials of Conrad Sorenson, Henry Ross and Oscar Smith, arrested on similar charges, are being held this week. The latter three pleaded not guilty when arraigned.

Grant B. Canfield of Detroit, a former Grayling boy, arrived in the city today to be here for the remainder of the week at Shoppemong Inn. Mr. Canfield is here for the purpose of getting investors interested in Magnolia, a new subdivision of Detroit. He represents the Hannan Real Estate Exchange of that city.

Those of our readers who like a real, old-fashioned wild west story, will be delighted with our next serial story, "Selwood of Sleepy Cat," by Spearman, that will begin running next week. Don't miss it.



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Arthur C. McIntyre, who is located at Flagstaff, Arizona, visited his mother, Mrs. Ella McIntyre in Grayling Friday and Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. McIntyre, the latter who was formerly Miss Helen Parr, a teacher in Grayling schools, were visiting relatives in Detroit, and Arthur came up for a couple of days visit with his mother, and to shake hands with old friends.

Jess Schoonover has purchased the Dr. H. H. Pool residence on the corner of Peninsular avenue and Ogemaw street. The deal was consummated Monday last. This was formerly the residence for over a quarter of a century of Dr. and Mrs. Oscar Palmer, now deceased, and is one of the finest residence locations in the city. Some time before Mr. Schoonover purchased the vacant lot in the rear of that property upon which he will construct next spring, an auto repair shop. The new owners will occupy the property soon, and are looking for someone to buy their old home on Chestnut street, second house back of the M. A. Bates home.

#### WELL BABY CLINIC

Remember the baby clinic, Thursday, January 27th at the school house. There is one every month, but a whole month is a long time for a tiny baby and you will find the baby will grow a great deal in that time. Many things can happen to the little fellow in such a short time that might have been avoided by just a word or two of advice from the doctor. Then bring baby each month and watch it grow strong and plump; watch how it eats and sleeps like all healthy babies should, and watch your own worries grow smaller and smaller.

#### Chaplin Acts to Settle With U. S. on Tax Claims

New York.—The dispute between Charlie Chaplin and the United States government moved toward a settlement when Chaplin's attorney agreed to give bond sufficient to satisfy the commissioner of internal revenue that \$1,133,775 in income taxes, declared due from the film comedian and companies with which he is connected, would be forthcoming if the government claim is upheld.

A report that Chaplin had withdrawn \$500,000 from the East River National bank to forestall attachment proceedings was denied by his attorney. "It was to meet the expenses of conducting his two film companies, which have been embarrassed by the government's liens," it was said.

Lita Grey Chaplin's attorneys in Los Angeles received notice that the government is not disposed to relax any of its \$1,133,775 income tax liens filed in that city to permit Mrs. Chaplin to collect \$14,000 back attorney awarded her by the California courts.

#### More Than 5,000 Freed by Governors Ferguson

Austin, Texas.—Animosities and the bitterness of political strife were buried a few days ago when Dan Moody, thirty-three, was inaugurated governor, succeeding Miriam A. Ferguson, the state's first woman executive.

Continuing to sign pardons and paroles until a short time before she relinquished her office, Mrs. Ferguson brought her clemency acts to an estimated total of 5,000. This would place such proclamations issued by Mrs. Ferguson and her husband, James E. Ferguson, prior to his impeachment in 1917, well above the 1,000 mark.

#### When West Was Raw

### Selwood of Sleepy Cat

By FRANK H. SPEARMAN

COWBOYS  
FREIGHTERS  
STAGE DRIVERS  
MINERS  
TRADERS  
VIGILANTES  
ADVENTURERS  
and on the other hand  
GAMBLERS  
DERELICTS  
HORSE THIEVES  
GUNMEN

All the colorful panoply, good and bad, of a frontier town in Mr. Spearman's latest big story.

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## Michigan Happenings

Two unidentified men, about 35 years old, held up Lillian Sanford, cashier of the First State bank of Parma, and forced her to turn over between \$5,000 and \$8,000 of bank funds. They made their escape in a Hudson coach with three accomplices, who had been waiting for them outside the bank. The thugs found Miss Sanford alone when they entered the bank, but shortly after the president and one of the directors entered, and these two, with two more customers who came in during the holdup, were all locked up in the vault.

A new bill regarding the sale and carrying of revolvers is being drafted by the Michigan Association of Police Chiefs and will be presented to the Legislature soon. A feature of the new bill is that it will provide that no person but a licensed dealer may make a sale, according to Chief Peter Hansen, of Muskegon, president of the state association. At the present time, revolvers can be sold by anyone, but under the bill as drafted a stiff penalty will be provided for anyone other than a licensed dealer making a sale.

Charging that the present State Tuberculosis Sanatorium at Howell is "in disgraceful condition," Rep. James T. Upjohn, of Kalamazoo, chairman of the special commission appointed by the 1925 Legislature, to select a site for the new \$500,000 sanatorium authorized the same year, reported to the House recently the commission had decided to place the new hospital at Ann Arbor. The commission's word in the matter is final, for it was given authority to act.

Miss Hattie Shields, 35, of Detroit, was found guilty of cruelty when arraigned before Judge Harry B. Keidman. The case was referred to probation authorities. Miss Shields admitted leaving home for a five day period while two dogs, a cat and a bowl of goldfish were left uncared for. On her return, it was testified, one dog was dead, the other had to be shot, the cat was stricken and the goldfish frozen. The complaint was made by the humane society.

The fact that a man marries at the age of 83 years is not sufficient proof that he needs a guardian. Judge Matthew Bush, of Shiawassee County probate court, so ruled in declaring Lamber Johnson, Shiawassee township farmer, did not need a guardian. A jury, which heard the testimony in the case, instituted by Johnson's two children, stood five against the appointment of a guardian and one for it. Johnson has considerable property.

When no effort is made in 25 years to collect a note, the holder of the note has no recourse in law. This, in effect, is the ruling of Judge J. H. Collins, of Corunna, in circuit court, in dismissing a suit brought by Miss Mae Osborn, of Perry, against H. S. Dunning, of the same place. She sued, as administratrix of the estate of her father, to collect on a note for \$500 given her father in 1901 by Dunning.

A change of policy by the house judiciary committee in Congress, by which the omnibus bill for new federal judgeships is scrapped and individual judgeships are reported for each district, may yet get eastern Michigan a third federal judge at this session of congress. In initiating this policy the committee reported individual bills which would create extra judgeships in eastern Michigan.

New York, then Texas, were the greatest contributors among states to the nation's exports during the third quarter of 1926, the commerce department at Washington, found in completing a statistical calculation. Pennsylvania ranked third. California was fourth. Michigan, the source of heavy automotive exports, was in fifth place, with \$61,671,000 compared with \$57,398,000 in 1925.

Detroit showed a decrease in retail prices of food amounting to three per cent for the year ending December 15, 1926, according to statistics released at the department of labor in Washington. Cities reporting a greater decline than Detroit were Houston, Kansas City, Memphis, Minneapolis, Omaha, Richmond, Savannah and Seattle, each of which dropped four per cent.

L. L. Griffith, head of the Chelsea Cement plant and his son, L. L. Griffith, Jr., were relieved of their duties by order of Gov. Fred W. Green. They remain on the payroll pending the outcome of an audit ordered by the governor, but are without power.

Compensation paid to injured workmen would be increased under bills introduced by Senator Cass J. Jankowski, of Detroit, and Senator Seth Pulver of Owosso. Both bills provide for increases in the maximum compensation paid to injured workmen. The Jankowski bill is the more liberal providing an increase in the minimum compensation from \$7 to \$10 a week, and an increase in the maximum from \$14 to \$30. The Pulver bill leaves the minimum where it is, and increases the maximum to \$20.

Dr. Geerlings, of Holland, was on a hunting trip in the Upper Peninsula and became lost in a swamp at twilight. He picked out a hollow log and decided to enlarge the opening and there spend the night. Hearing a noise, he turned and saw a black bear. He fired and toppled the bear, which jumped and ran. Meantime, Dr. Geerlings' brother, who was searching for him, arrived. By lantern light the two tracked and found the bear, which showed fight before it was killed. The bear weighed 220 pounds.

Lucas Millenbach, a Houghton Boy Scout, caught a red fox recently by means of a bonfire and a pair of tongs. While sking near his home Millenbach came on the trail of the fox. He tracked the animal and caught sight of it as it took refuge in a large pine stump. Knowing that he could not capture the animal alone, he kindled a fire near the stump to keep the fox inside while he went for help. With the aid of his brothers, Millenbach caught the fox around the neck with a pair of tongs and after considerable tussle, placed it in a bag.

Mrs. Harriet Wheeler recently celebrated her 100th birthday at the home of her granddaughter, Mrs. Clarence Holdridge, south of Tecumseh. She came here from New York with her parents 90 years ago. Her husband, Curtis G. Wheeler, died in service during the Civil War. Mrs. Wheeler relates many interesting experiences with the Indians in the early days. She has been blind for the last eight years, but up to that time she did a great amount of reading and took a keen interest in the general topics of the day.

Ace Park, home of the Saginaw Michigan league team never has been a gold mine as a baseball proposition, but may prove a gold mine for its owner, President Clemens, in another direction, for oil has been found under it. The first oil well drilled in the park was shot successfully recently, and gives promise of being one of the best producers in the Saginaw oil field. It is located in the extreme corner of right center field, and will not interfere with ball playing.

With 2,148 motor cars for each 139.02 square miles, and on the basis of population, 4.4 passengers for each, Detroit has more automobiles than any other three cities which have a larger population. New York has but 1,704 cars to the square mile of area; Philadelphia, 1,518, and Chicago 1,214. This means that to every automobile there are in Chicago 8.5 persons; Philadelphia, 10.7, and New York, 12.2 persons.

A world's record high score was established when the Senior Girls' team of Flint defeated the First Presbyterian Church Girls' five, 90 to 0 in 30 minutes of play. The score at the half was 29 and 61 points were scored in the last 16 minutes of play. The previous record was made January 7, 1927, when the Warren Penn. high school girls' team defeated the Mt. Jewett high girls' team, 84 to 0.

All records for the issuance of automobile license plates in the Detroit office of the secretary of state, for one day were broken recently. More than \$300,000 had been received and approximately 23,000 plates for 1927 issued when the last applicant was served at 6 p. m. One of the largest single amounts was a check for \$24,000, submitted by the owner of a fleet of trucks.

The Michigan membership in the House of Representatives in Congress would be boosted from 13 to 17 under two methods of re-apportionment based upon the estimated population in 1930 which is being considered by the House Census Committee. Many other states also would have their quota of members increased if the methods are accepted.

To aid cities in constructing and maintaining trunk line highways Senator Peter H. Lennon, of Genesee, introduced a bill to have the state help construct trunk line highways through cities. The state would be required to pay \$10,000 per mile for construction and \$1,000 per mile for maintenance. At present the cities stand all expenses incident to both.

Colorado, considered in the light of a big game country, compares very unfavorably with Michigan as a habitat for deer. The census of the deer kill made last year in that state gives the hunters credit for bringing down less than 3,000 animals. The 1926 season in Michigan is estimated to have produced well over 15,000.

One of the largest seizures of illegal furs ever made in the State occurred last month when officers confiscated several hundred skins at Manistee. The total value of the furs all in prime condition, was estimated at \$6,700. A large number were muskrat and mink.

Automobile drivers convicted of even the slightest misdemeanor will lose their driver's license for a period ranging from 10 days to a year under a proposed law submitted to the state legislature. The bill would make it compulsory for the trial judge to take this action. The law was proposed due to the terrific increases in traffic accidents. It was prepared by the attorney general's department. All of fenses connected with driving an automobile even driving without lights, would be punishable in this manner.

Henry Martin who had a silver dollar, that sounds flat, worked off on him at Bluntville last week, is thinking about sending it to the senate for investigation.

Enos Tuttle expected to go to the hospital next week to have his tonsils removed, but since he drank a pint of Christmas gin the doctors can't find 'em.

The number of girls sitting around without partners at the dances is a suggestion that the man power of the town is declining.

The old timers will say the forests should not be so far destroyed that no birch switches are left for the kid crowd.

An awful lot of propaganda is being distributed, but the editors are all putting in bigger wastebaskets.

One beauty about this European telephone system, you won't be bothered by some dear old lady listening in on the line.

When transportation on the highways is snowbound, we begin to appreciate the fact that the railroads are still operating a few passenger trains.

If the most of us were as enthusiastic about conserving our incomes as we are about conservation of state resources there would be a lot less unpaid grocery bills.

## OPPORTUNITY COLUMN

BE QUICK—AMAZINGLY LOW chick and egg prices. Rocks, Reds, Leghorns purebred. Prompt shipment. Explanation free. Merrill Hatchery, Merrill, Mich. 1-27-8

FOR SALE—STEEL Kitchen range, Inquire Jess Schoonover, at former Dr. Pool residence.

FOX HOUND FOR SALE—PRICE, \$15 Inquire of Mrs. Wm. Bradow, Chestnut street, 1 block east of hospital, phone 713.

HOUSEWORK WANTED—CLEANING or any kind of housework. Leave word at Avalanche office.

LOST—FRIDAY NIGHT, A BILL-FOLD containing a sum of money and check, between the A. & P. store and my home. \$10.00 reward. Frank R. Deckrow. 1-13-1

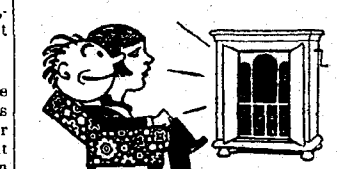
TWO HOUSES FOR SALE in Grayling. Going away and can't take houses with me. Walter Nelson, Beaver Creek Twp. Address, Roscommon, R. F. D. 1-13-1

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APARTMENT FOR RENT—STEAM heated, bath and modern. Inquire of Mrs. Daisy Kraus at hardware store. Phone 1222.

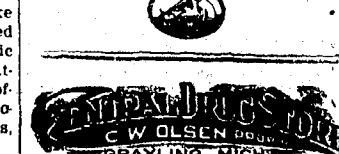
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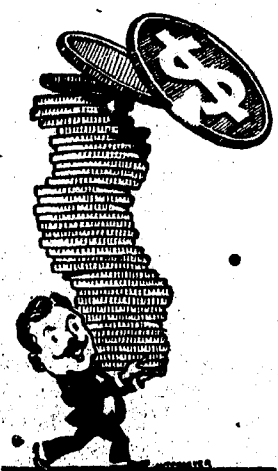
**SATURDAY, FEB. 5th**  
Will Be Dollar Day in Grayling.

Gas up the auto or hitch up the team and be sure to be in town that day. Bring along your neighbors and make a real event of the day. You will be welcome and everyone will try and help you to have a good time as well as a profitable time.

Watch the Avalanche next week and note the big Dollar Day Bargains that will await you. Make up a list of the articles you are going to need and come early while there is everything to be had. Almost every store will have something valuable to offer that is worth much more than the \$1.00, and you are going to be the gainer. Remember the day and be sure to be here

**Dollar Day, Saturday, February 5th**

The following merchants will offer Special Bargains that day, and invite you to their stores :



GRAYLING MERCANTILE CO.,  
The Quality Store  
H. PETERSEN, Grocer  
L. J. KRAUS, ESTATE—Hardware  
B. A. COOLEY, The Gift Shop  
REDSON & COOLEY,  
COOLEY & COOLEY,  
Frank Dreese Old Stand  
CENTRAL DRUG STORE,

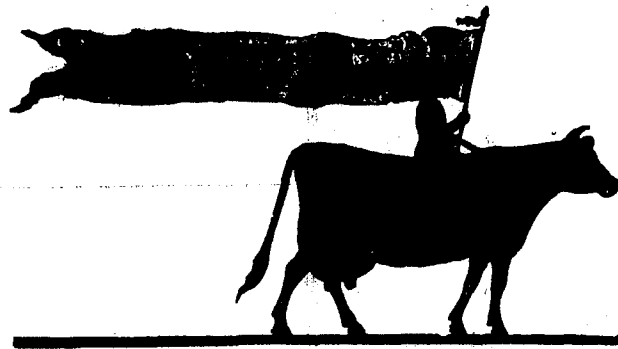
MAX LANDSBERG,  
Shoes and Men's Furnishings  
A. S. BURROWS, Market  
AVALANCHE  
MAC & GIDLEY, Drugs  
OLAF SORENSON & SONS,  
Confectionery and Sporting Goods  
SORENSON BROS., Furniture  
S. B. VARIETY STORE

NELS CORWIN, Garage  
J. L. CASSIDY, Bakery  
JOHN HUBER, Market  
ALFRED HANSON, Service Station  
GRAYLING ELECTRIC CO.  
EARL NELSON, Service Station  
EGGIE BUGBY, The Notion Store  
CARL W. PETERSON, Jeweler



## Farm Bureau Notes

R. D. Bailey, Co. Agricultural Agent



### Farmers' Week

The annual "Farmers' Week" will be held at the Agricultural College at East Lansing, January 31 to February 4, inclusive.

A rich and wonderful program is offered free to all.

About 6,000 people attended last year.

Can we not have some present from Crawford county?

### Time to Tell the Truth

The writer has heard so many misinformed remarks about his salary and what it costs to keep a county agricultural agent, that he feels that fair-minded folks—those who do not wish to misrepresent the facts purposefully—would like to know the truth in the case.

### Here It Is

The present County Agent of Crawford county, each month, receives a salary check from the Government, through the Agricultural College, for \$150. He receives a salary check, each month, for \$25 from the county, six dollars sent in from outside to each dollar from county funds.

He receives, each month, from county funds, a check for \$50 for expenses. These expenses are for the benefit of the people and should not be held against the agent, any more than the cost of lights and coal should be counted as part of the salary paid the janitor of the Frederic or Grayling school.

These expenses include office rent, garage rent, light for office, fuel for office, a large amount for postage, printing letterheads and envelopes, printing the many postal cards and circulars frequently sent to farmers for their help; office supplies, post-office box rent, telephone rent (\$24 per year); telephone toll; all up-keep of auto, including license, battery, oil, gasoline, tires, repairs; railroad fare and hotel bills on the several occasions each year that all agents are ordered to meet somewhere; occasional meals at Roscommon, Frederic and Lovells while at work in those regions.

Most county agents have office, heat, light and telephone furnished them in a courthouse, and so are not required to pay for these out of expense allowance. The county agent at Gaylord receives free office, light, heat, telephone, \$1800 a year salary from the government, \$1200 a year salary from the county, and expenses. The supervisors appropriated \$2700 for his salary and expenses per year.

### Ninety Dollars (90.00) a Year

By paying a salary of \$300 a year, the county agent gets the services of a man of mature years, liberal education and valuable experience. Farmers should not deceive themselves, nor be deceived, that they pay all of this absurdly small amount.

Of the amount furnished per year from county funds for both salary and expenses, the farmers of the county pay just \$30. This means a tax of 10 to 12 cents on the taxes of the average farmer. A few pay more. None pay an amount equal to actual value of services available to them.

The rest comes from Grayling, Frederic, resort property throughout the county, and non-resident land owners.

### Benefits

The postage on printed matter sent to farmers, intended to be helpful to them, frequently costs more per year out of the agent's expense fund than that farmer's yearly tax for county agent purposes.

The agent has often spent for telephoning outside for some farmer, for repairs, seed, information to sell a cow, or buy a pig, etc., etc., more than that farmer's entire yearly tax to support an agent. He is glad to do this for any farmer.

### "Money's Worth"

No farmer need feel that it is impossible for him to "get his money's worth" out of the county agent. There are many ways to do that.

The car of fertilizer brought in each spring, at cost, by the agent, saved more than the farmers of all the county pay for support of the agent. This service has been open to all.

The time for the land, brought in each year, through the efforts of the agent, is worth far more to Crawford county farming than the \$90 that our farmers put into the support of an agent. This service has been, and is, open to all.

The improved seeds, strictly adapted to this climate, that the agent has brought in each year without profit to himself, tying up more than \$300 of his own money each spring in seed, lime and fertilizer, has brought an increase in crops to the farmers worth ten, probably twenty times the \$90 they put in to run the thing. This seed service was, and is, open to all, and its benefits were enjoyed by many who holler loudest.

Let's have a little spirit of reason, and at least fairness in this.

### They Wouldn't Do It

It is useless to argue that farmers would get for themselves, this lime, fertilizer and suitable seed. Anyone knows that they would not and did not. Who among them would go ahead with it? The agent now has to make desperate efforts, beginning long before Christmas and continuing until late spring, to carry it through. There is such a thing as folks not appreciating a service. Until this close watching of seed by the county agent, the farmers had an amazing percentage of poor seed, and the seed was not adapted to the soil.

This county desperately needs lime

for the soil. I have brought in over a thousand tons and coaxed farmers to use it all. That tonnage alone would make a nice little train of cars. We are getting a fine start of alfalfa scattered all over the county. How much lime do farmers bring in when left to themselves?

### More Services

The thirty-three purebred bulls that the agent has helped place in this county must certainly help get our farmers out of the bondage of scrub cattle.

The purebred bulls that I secured from the railroad and loaned free to farmers benefited agriculture of Crawford county more than farmers pay per year to support this office.

The special trains and the poultry culling demonstrations that I arranged for were worth more each year than the cost of the office. If certain ones did not attend, why blame the agent?

One hundred of cases per year of direct, personal advice to farmers at their farms about farm practices, and one 1,822 callers at the office attended to in the past year, together with 188 telephone calls, and 1,848 letters written in the same time, must have some value.

### More "Money's Worth"

The more act of testing the milk of a farmer's cows, for butter-fat content, gives the farmer a good bit of chance to "get his money's worth" out of the county agent, if he did not get it any other way. The trip to the farm, auto expense, the Babcock tester, the acid, the skill, the half day of time used by the agent for the trip and testing of the milk of a herd, is a skillful and valuable service for which a physician would very properly charge \$5 to \$15; yet, any and every farmer can have this service free. The cost of gasoline alone to make the trip is often as much as the farmer's taxes for two or three years for county agent work. No farmer in the county pays taxes enough towards the support of the county agent to equal what would be a reasonable charge for testing the milk of his herd; yet, each and all should have this testing done. Each and all are hereby invited and urged to have it done, free.

### Not Worthless

The writer does not admit that his article in the *Avalanche*, nor his many circulars mailed to farmers, or his calls on farmers are without value to an open-minded man.

### Open Minded

Open minded! There's the stumbling block. A farmer who will not subscribe for the county paper, or who does not read the agent's "damned stuff," or who throws away unread the carefully prepared, printed matter mailed him by the agent as a quick way to talk with all farmers in a short time, or who gives the agent the icy stare when he calls, or who as not the slightest idea of trying to follow out suggestions given, of course that farmer does not get anything out of the agent. He would not want to bother to do anything better. The bitterest talkers are those who have never given the agent a chance.

No farmer can honestly say that he has faithfully tried any of the suggestions mailed him or told him by the agent and found them wrong.

### Catch Flies With Honey

The present county agent is a busy man. He wishes, far above everything else, to give satisfaction to each and every farmer, and other taxpayers. However, he, like all other county agents, naturally calls more at places where he is pleasantly received, and where it is evident that the farmer intends to try to make some use of the agent's time and suggestions. There is no favored class. Your agent will "run his legs off" and "work his head off" for any farmer or other taxpayer in an endeavor to solve that person's agricultural problems. The only thing asked is that the farmer meet him half way and respond.

### Results

The writer does not seek to earn his wages easily. He does not earn them easily. His great ambition is to serve and to get results in an improved agriculture for Crawford county through the good will and co-operation of its farmers.

Grayling and Frederic need a prosperous farming community. They will need them more in the future. A drive for a day will convince anyone that the farmers need an agent and improvement.

### Fifty Thousand Dollars

I have long thought on plans to bring about a 25 per cent increase in income on each and every farm of the county. Such an increase would be welcome on many farms. Such an increase is entirely possible. There is no good reason why the farmers of Crawford county should not be spending \$50,000 more per year than at present.

I feel entirely confident that we can bring about this increased income if the farmer will freely and frankly talk things over with me.

The need is here. The remedy is here, too.

### Plan for Action

Winter is the right time to plan for effective spring and summer action. The best farmers are winter planners and relentless workers in spring and summer.

Plainly enough, I cannot travel over

the county in winter; but all farmers go to town, have to find out where an easily found. Cannot our farmers see the fairness and value of calling at the office for friendly business talks, just as they hunt up county officers at the courthouse? Should they not have that much interest in their farm office?

Next spring and summer I shall do more driving from farm to farm than ever before; but, shall be just that much harder to find at the office. Spring is too late to make good farm plans. Winter is the time. Experience has shown that you can't talk a farmer into better practices when he is rushed with his work.

### Rushing Round and Round

While a county agent must be around his county enough to have a good touch with what is going on, rushing round and round is not what it is cracked up to be. I say now what I have often stated before: "Practically all constructive, forward steps that I have ever gotten farmers to make were the result of circulars, newspaper articles and talks, man to man, in my office."

Largely through the generosity of the government an agent is stationed here to cure sick farms and bad farming. It does not cost us much locally. Let us make 1927 mean something bigger and better on every farm.

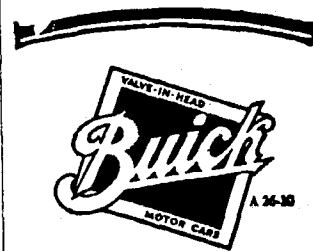
## The Market Status

(By William McMahon, president New York Institute of Financial Research, Inc.)

As an illustration of the potency of rumors or of interviews or of official statements from one quarter or another, we have the spectacle of a stock market on Wednesday of last week taking a nose dive all of a sudden because S. W. Straus warned against over-construction. Building and construction shares, such as Foundation Company, Penn Dixie Cement Company and International Cement sold off, only to revive suddenly the next session at Secretary Mellon's statement, confirmed by Colonel Ayres of the Cleveland Trust Company, that building conditions were not dangerous and not near the saturation point.

Construction goes along with good general business. As a matter of fact, if we look at the prospects and outlook of construction this year, we must admit to a bullish tendency. More than \$2,000,000,000 in construction has been carried over from 1926 and there is a far greater amount of public building scheduled for 1927 than there was for last year. Besides, this year will see more public utility construction than ever before in the history of the country.

In a statement just released by the National Bank of Commerce in New York, the statement is made after a careful survey, that on a basis of contracts recently let, the building business is guaranteed continuation of the stimulus it has so long enjoyed, a heavy demand for building materials, and full payrolls in all the construction industries. Since the flurry down and up in the market as a result of these rather conflicting statements, there is a tone of optimism remaining. All feel a certain assurance that as long as building keeps up, everything else will keep up. If these and other items combine to keep the souls of traders away from the fell clutch of the phantom bogey-man, the market will not turn bearish, for corporate earnings are running at a high peak, and news of extra dividend declarations is the usual burden of the days' dispatches.



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### Appalachian Explorers

In 1716 Spotswood organized the first exploration party to venture into the Appalachian mountains. This party consisted of Spotswood's personal friends, Indian guides and servants. There were in all about fifty people. We find mentioned the following gentlemen who accompanied Spotswood: John Fontaine, Robert Beverly, Colonel Robertson, Doctor Robinson, Austin Smith, Captain Clouder and four men named, respectively, Taylor, Todd, Mason and Brooke. Each gentleman wore a small golden horseshoe. This emblem was to record the fact "that the horses on this expedition were shod with iron shoes, which were quite unnecessary in the sandy soil of the tide-water countries, but which were deemed essential for the stony passages of the mountains." The motto adopted was, "Sic Juvat transire montes." Only those were eligible in the future who could prove that they had drunk the health of George the First, then king of England, on the top of Mount George.

## Decorators Not to Be Bound by Convention

The Cretan decorators did not scruple when they departed from a literal interpretation of nature in so doing they could achieve more satisfying decorative effects.

If a monkey with a blue head suited their purpose better than a realistic monkey they showed no hesitance in altering it. This is the decorator's privilege, a sort of artistic license that has been taken by artists from those ancient times to the present.

Do not think that curious drawings and distortions are the product of amateurish hands. The Cretan decorators did not alter the apparent forms because they could not draw them correctly. It was done deliberately, to suit their scheme of decoration. Sometimes a naturalistic treatment of flowers and ferns was used.

When they liked they could give realistic interpretation and at other times conventionalize their subjects. When it suited their purpose they put in colors that nature never uses in such places. These Cretan decorators were great craftsmen and artists. Their designs are studied by artists today.

## Not an Easy Matter to Tell Deer's Age

It is impossible, says the United States biological survey, to tell the age of the deer tribe by the number of points on the antlers. There is a popular notion that every time a deer sheds its horns—which is once a year—the horn grows out with an extra point. In a general way this is true. But the growth of the antlers is dependent on a number of circumstances, notably the general physical condition of the animal and its vitality. As a rule the horns begin as single points and increase in size and number of points up to whatever number may be the maximum, but the increase in size in several years may not be strictly progressive. As the animal becomes old there is a tendency for the horns to be smaller with fewer points. A point is an individual tine or snag of the antlers. A deer with one point on each side is called a two-point deer; one with two points on each side, a four-point deer, and so on. The reindeer differs from all other deer in that the females of this species also have horns.

Dance to the tune of Schram's Rambles at the Masked Ball, Feb. 2.



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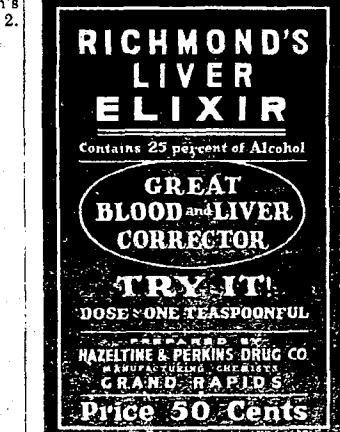


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STATE OF MICHIGAN

The Probate Court for the county of Crawford.

At a session of said court, held at the probate office in the village of Grayling, in said county, on the 17th day of January A. D. 1927.

Present: Hon. George Sorenson, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Martin Nelson, deceased.

Hans Peterson, having filed his petition, praying that an instrument titled in said court be admitted to probate as the last will and testament of said deceased and that administration and settlement of said estate be granted to said Hans Peterson, according to the will, or some other suitable person.

It is ordered, that the 21st day of February A. D. 1927, at ten a. m., at said probate office is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

It is further ordered, that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy hereof for three successive weeks, previous to said day of hearing, in the *Crawford Avalanche*, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

GEORGE SORENSON,  
Judge of Probate. 1-20-3

A true copy  
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Judge of Probate.

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### LOCAL NEWS

THURSDAY, JANUARY 27, 1927

Dollar Day in Grayling, Saturday, Feb. 5th.

Dry wood for sale. Leave orders at Burrows Meat Market.

Mrs. A. F. Gierke and son Earl visited in Detroit and Clawson over the week end.

Hot Ovaltine! Picks you up. The best cold weather drink! Try it at our fountain! Central Drug Store.

Mrs. Roy Barber returned Tuesday morning after spending several days with relatives in Detroit.

Miss Grace Nelson is leaving today to visit relatives in Lansing, expecting to remain for some time.

Look your best or your funniest next Wednesday night and attend the American Legion Masked Ball.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Owens (Josephine Westcott) of Maple Forest on Thursday, Jan. 20th, a son.

Emil Giegling was in Columbus, Ohio, and other cities on business for Kerry & Hanson Flooring Company last week.

Mrs. Roy McEvers who underwent an operation at Mercy hospital Wednesday morning of last week is getting along nicely.

Dry wood for sale. Leave orders at Burrows Meat Market.

Edward Parker of Lansing visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert E. Parker Saturday and Sunday.

There will be fun for old and young at the Masked Ball next Wednesday night at the school gymnasium. Auspices American Legion.

Neils H. Neilsen is busy at the courthouse this week overhauling the furniture in the various offices and making necessary repairs.

George Burke, Ford dealer, and Nels Corwin, Flint, Star and Durant dealer, were in Detroit the fore part of the week to attend the annual auto show.

Edward Gierke, who is employed at the Alfred Hanson Service station in Akron, Ohio, taking a course in vulcanizing at a school for that purpose. The course takes six weeks.

Miss Kathryn Brown returned to her duties at the Central Drug Store Monday, after being absent several weeks owing to an injury she received to her back while tobogganing.

Young Bradford Billings of Bay City is enjoying skating and other sports in Grayling during semester examinations. He is staying with his aunt, Mrs. Carl Englund, until Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter McNeven spent the week end with relatives in Jackson and Colon, going from there to Detroit to attend the auto show on Monday. They returned to Grayling Tuesday afternoon.

Wood-Oak chunks and dry jack pine. C. R. King.

Don't say Bread, say Blue Bird. Fish—Will have a supply all winter. C. R. King.

Dry wood for sale. Leave orders at Burrows Meat Market.

Junior Carnival at the school gymnasium Saturday night, Jan. 29th.

Dewey Palmer of Bay City was in Grayling over Sunday visiting at the Deckrow home.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Legner expect to leave Saturday for Bay City, to be gone until spring.

Mrs. Grant Shaw left Tuesday to spend a few days in Detroit with her sons, Walter and Burton.

Mr. and Mrs. John Zeder and son Jack returned Monday from Bay City where they had spent the week end.

Rev. and Mrs. J. Herman Baughn are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter, Iris Gretchen, Saturday, January 22. Mother and baby are getting along nicely.

Miss Luanna Lietz, who is attending the Mercy hospital training school for nurses in Bay City, visited over Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roman Lietz. She returned to her duties Tuesday afternoon.

Max Landsberg returned home Saturday from Inkster, Mich., where he had been spending a couple of weeks visiting Mrs. Landsberg and son Lipman, who are operating a dry goods and clothing store in that city.

By some mistake the Frederic package of Avalanches of last week went astray. A notice from Postmaster Higgins, saying that the papers had not arrived, was the first we knew about it, and a new lot was mailed them the same day. Sorry, Frederic readers, but we don't know yet how to account for it. Hope it won't happen again.

Miss Virginia Fair, ten year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Orson Fair of Jackson, is seriously ill with scarlet fever in a contagious hospital in that city. Mrs. Fair will be remembered as Edith Bushaw, who spent several years of her girlhood in the Peter McNeven home, finishing the grammar grades in the Grayling school about fifteen years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Snogram, who have been spending the fore part of the winter in Bay City with their daughter, Mrs. Roy Billings, returned to the Englund home by auto Sunday morning, accompanied by the Billings family and Mr. Clarence Snogram. Mrs. Carl Englund made the return trip to Bay City with Mr. and Mrs. Billings and brother Clarence and remained there until Tuesday.

Friends and acquaintances of Mr. Clarence Snogram, who will be remembered by many of the high school students especially, are pleased to hear of his success and promotion in one of the Kresge stores of Bay City. He has proved his worth to his employers and will soon be a general manager with a fine salary, if he continues to receive promotions in the future as he has in the past three months.

About fifty people enjoyed the card party at the American Legion hall Wednesday night of last week given by the Ladies National League. Cards were enjoyed, Mrs. Harold Rasmussen and Mrs. Emory Craft winning the prizes for "500." For pinocle, W. J. Heric and Mrs. Scott Wyllie captured the prizes and for Pedro George Collen and Miss Laura Knibbs were prize winners. After the games a delicious lunch was served by the committee.

One of the greatest money-saving sales will be presented by Grayling merchants Saturday, Feb. 5th. It will be Dollar Day all day and almost every store is making some special offers that the people cannot afford to overlook. Real values of some of these articles is double of the price asked that day. Next week's edition of the Avalanche will have advertisements showing some of the things that are going into the Dollar Day hopper. Watch for the paper and check up on the things you may need or desire.

The legislative committee of Lansing, pertaining to the state fish hatcheries, will make an official visit and inspection of Grayling trout hatchery next Tuesday. They will arrive here on special car from the north at 2:15 p. m. and leave on the night train. The visitors are to be guests of the Grayling Board of Trade at a dinner at 6:00 o'clock. It is hoped that many of the local B. T. members will be in attendance. Leigh J. Young, the new conservation department director, succeeding John Baird, will be unable to be present at that time, but intends to visit the hatchery in the near future.

The Saginaw Wood Products plant at Gaylord is to be sold at public auction, in whole or in parcel, to the highest bidder Tuesday, January 31. According to a statement made in the Gaylord Herald Times, this enterprise had been a failure from start, due, they say, to mismanagement. This plant was known as the "Toy Corporation." It occupies a very good brick structure and is well equipped with lathes and other machinery. The Herald Times says that they have every reason to believe it would have been a success had it been taken out of the hands of promoters and speculators who use it as a commercial football.

Ed Novack, publisher of the Michigan Digest, a Lansing political organ, had an article about "The Pines," in which he ridicules the idea of the state of Michigan ever taking them over. His article quite convinces us that he hasn't a full understanding of the matter. And further, he doesn't seem to recognize the petitions and letters that have been written asking that "The Pines" be preserved. If this last stand of virgin pine, remnant of the once vast pineries of Michigan, meets the doom of the woodsman's axe, it will be because of just such opposition as Mr. Novack is offering. He advocates that Rasmus Hanson, the owner of "The Pines," give them to the state. He has already given 18,000 acres that is being occupied as the Michigan National Guard permanent camp, and has given the state many other valuable gifts, but it is hardly fair to ask a man to give any more. A bill will be introduced in the legislature for the purchase of the property by the state, to be used as a state park and for reforestation purposes. If this fails of passage or the state fails to acquire the tract, June 1st will see this valuable pine starting for the saw mills.

Have your picture "look" at the Junior carnival.

Take your Prescriptions to Central Drug Store.

Dry wood for sale. Leave orders at Burrows Meat Market.

W. B. Helitz left yesterday afternoon to visit relatives in Sterling.

Earl Woods of Bay City was in Grayling on business over the week end.

I sell World's Star Knit Goods, Priscilla Fabrics, and Detroit News. Call 1622, Mrs. Jas. McDonnell.

The Hospital Aid society will meet Thursday, Feb. 10th, with Mrs. Marius Hanson.

Make your dollar earn extra dividends at the Dollar Day sales Saturday, Feb. 5th.

Carl Speck is hobbling around with a sprained ankle, which he got while practicing basketball.

Mrs. Charles Bradley and family are in Wolverine, called there by the serious illness of her father.

Mr. and Mrs. Dell Walt motored up from Detroit and spent a couple of days, returning again yesterday morning.

Mrs. Peter Larson returned home Tuesday from Detroit, where she went to consult physicians, visiting relatives while there.

The regular meeting of the Ladies Aid society of the Michelson church will be held with Mrs. Alexander the first Friday in February.

Miss Annabelle McLeod returned to her duties at the Schlotz grocery Monday, after being absent a few days with a bad cold.

There will be a regular meeting of Grayling Chapter O. E. S. No. 88 on Wednesday evening, February 2nd. Refreshments will be served.

Mrs. George N. Olson and daughter Georgianna spent yesterday afternoon at Gaylord visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Clark.

Miss Ferne Hum was in Bay City over Sunday visiting her mother, who was serving on the jury in Federal court, also visiting a friend while there.

Miss Coletta Smith has been spending the past few days in Detroit. Mrs. Olie McLeod has been taking her place at the M. C. ticket office.

Supervisor A. J. Nelson will leave next week for Lansing to attend a meeting of the supervisors of the state, being the official representative from Crawford county.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney J. Graham returned last week from Hot Springs, Arkansas, where they had been enjoying much warmer temperatures than we have been having.

Mrs. Clair Smith is returning to Lansing today, after spending several days visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James McNeven. Her sister, Miss Ruth, is accompanying her, expecting to remain for a two weeks visit.

A number of Grayling people are planning on motoring to Gaylord next Sunday afternoon to attend the band concert to be given by the Gaylord City Band, of which E. G. Clark, formerly of Grayling, is director. It will be held at the city auditorium.

Through error the Sisters of Mercy and nurses of Mercy hospital were inadvertently omitted from the lines of appreciation offered in last week's issue by relatives of Martin Nelson. They were most kind and considerate of Mr. Nelson during his long illness at the hospital.

George N. Olson, Esbern J. Olson and Jess Schoonover attended a meeting of the Masonic lodge at Gaylord last night when the Master Mason degree was exemplified by the Gaylord lodge. It was a snappy cold night or there probably would have been a much larger representation from Grayling. However, there were a large number from surrounding towns, and the local members who attended report a very enjoyable time.

Honoring Mrs. Clair Smith, who before her marriage recently was Miss Bernice McNeven, a miscellaneous shower was given at the home of Mrs. Harry Reynolds Monday evening. Contests were indulged in, Misses Anna Peterson, Ferne Armstrong and Isa Granger capturing prizes. The hostesses arranged a delicious buffet lunch, the dining room being lighted with soft red lights. The bride was the recipient of many beautiful gifts. There were 25 guests.

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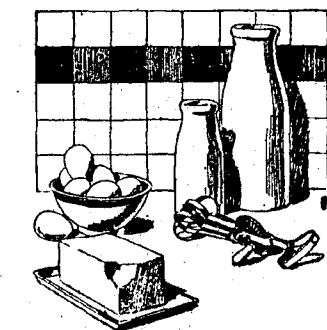
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## SCHOOL NOTES

Editors: Janice Bailey, Edward Mason, Ethel Taylor.

Our glory consists not in never failing, but in rising every time we fall.

Mr. Smith—"What steps would you take when you place sodium in water?"  
Paul H.—"I'd take long ones."

Never do today what you can do in class tomorrow.

Miss Supernau—"And where was Sheridan when he took his famous twenty mile ride?"  
Edward—"On a horse."

The surest protection against failure is never to attempt to do anything.

Gertrude—"With feet like yours you should get a job with the government."  
Amos—"What doing?"  
G. L.—"Stamping out forest fires."

Our idea of a considerate teacher is one who talks you to sleep, then wakes you up five minutes early so you won't be late to the next class.

Mr. Smith (in the Lab.)—"I wish you wouldn't whistle at your work, Lacey."  
Lacey Stephan—"I wasn't working, only whistling."

Columbus missed a lot of publicity; he should have waited and come with Queen Marie.

Miss Rothenberger (in shorthand, while reviewing for exam)—"Paul, can you suggest anything that would help Clayton remember his shorthand?"  
Paul—"Yes, study it."

There shall be no Alps.—Napoleon.

Isbrand—"What nationality is that dark-haired fellow you were with last night?"  
Violet—"A Bermudian."  
I. H.—"What makes you think that?"  
V. W.—"He knows his onions."

People do not lack strength; they lack will.—Victor Hugo.

Evelyn—"Do you cash checks here?"  
Ethel—"Yes, but not yours."  
E. H.—"Isn't my face good?"  
E. T.—"Yes, but I can't get it in the cash box."

One science only will one genius fit.—Pope.

Can You Imagine—  
Janice, with a boyish bob.  
Edward, without his marcel.  
Gertrude, thin.  
Ethel, without her keys.  
Earle, not in the library.  
Verle, "A" student in chemistry.  
Margrethe, with a temper.  
Helene, not being an "A" student.  
Evelyn, not laughing.  
Lacey, being silent.  
Violet, without nerve.

Azilda, getting an "A."  
Ada, sad.  
Ella, studying.  
Mr. Smith, letting chemistry class out on time.  
Amos H., with small feet.  
Norval, wide-awake.  
Miss Supernau, good-natured.  
George, not arguing.  
Hazel, a peroxide blond.  
Betty W., dignified.  
Miss Swinton, cross.  
Jane K., sitting still.  
Miss Titworth, late.  
Clayton W., knowing the place in shorthand.  
Miss Harrison, talking Hebrew.

The local debating team, composed of Ethel Taylor, Gertrude Loskos and Amos Hunter, will debate West Branch, Feb. 11, at West Branch. Come and help us win!  
The debate of January 13 was lost by our team, by a vote of 3-0. The Cheboygan team was composed of Dorothy Nichols, John Ness and Winifred Hinkley. The judges were: Messrs. Brown and Holbrook of Mackinaw and Mr. Sim Lewis of Gaylord. Cheboygan has an excellent team, having won all their debates.

Grayling basketball team played West Branch at West Branch last Friday. West Branch has the best team of many years. Our boys failed to make connection with the baskets. The game ended with a score of 22-6, in favor of West Branch. The line-up was: F. Brady, left forward; H. La-Grow, right forward; N. Stephan, right guard; L. Stephan, center; C. Wiley, left guard.

Everyone is anxiously waiting semester exams.  
"Addison Steele's Bacon" was reviewed in English Literature Monday.

Blushing comes natural to some girls, while on others it is only put on.

"School is out," said Ma Ferguson, as she opened the prison door.

The old-fashioned man who used to drive so close to the wagon ahead now has a grandson who devotes his time to putting plates in other people's fenders.

George—"Where are you going with that hanger?"  
Carl—"To court to win a suit."

Don't forget the Junior Carnival! See the fat lady. Dancing by Schram's orchestra. Saturday, Jan. 29th.

## COMING

Dr. A. S. Allard, optometrist of Bay City will be in Grayling at Shoppening Inn, Tuesday, Feb. 1. If you are having trouble with your eyes or your glasses do not fit, let me examine your eyes. Eighteen years of examining eyes and fitting glasses that give results. Ask one of my satisfied patients—they live next door. Prices reasonable.

Remember the date—Tues., Feb. 1-20-2 DR. A. S. ALLARD, Optometrist.

Don't forget the Rummage Sale to be held under the auspices of the M. E. Ladies Aid, Saturday, Jan. 29. Anyone having articles to spare, please notify Mrs. Victor Smith or Rev. Baughn, and they will be called for.

## Do You Know?

DO YOU KNOW A NEW WAY TO LEARN ONE WORTH WHILE THING EACH DAY?

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Correct Answers Given Next Week. See how many you can answer by that time.

They will embrace the fundamentals of a liberal education—Get a scrap book and keep for future reference. (We invite constructive suggestions or criticisms.)

22. The principal fur-bearing animals of North America?

23. The coldest place in the U. S.?

24. The hottest?

25. Where does snow never fall?

26. Where frequently 50 to 70 ft.?

27. What gigantic trees, now alive, were 1,000 years old at time of Christ?

28. How can one use an automobile to keep his radio battery charged?

Answers to Last Week's Questions

15. What is light?

Light is caused by motions in the ether, that intangible something supposed to occupy all space—even a vacuum. Light waves have the properties common to all waves (study question 19 carefully). Light travels so fast that to the ordinary observer it is instantaneous. Its speed is 186,000 miles a second, equal to 7 times around the world. Travels from the sun to the earth in about 8 minutes.

16. What makes the different colors?

It has fully been established that there are wave lengths in the ether that does not affect the sight, just as there are wave lengths in the air that do not affect the hearing. The range of human sight is covered by waves varying in length from about 65,000 to 35,000 per inch. The shorter waves (65,000 per inch) give the eye the sensation of violet light. As the waves increase in length we have all the varying shades of blue, green, orange, etc., until we reach those of 35,000 per inch, which give red light. Daylight (white light) is waves of all colors mixed together. If it falls on a body which we see as green, all the different colored rays, except the green are absorbed and the green rays reflected. Colored rays differ only in the length and frequency of their respective waves, and the eye is able to distinguish between them. A black object absorbs practically all the light. A green glass allows only green rays to pass through it and absorbs all the others.

17. How do we see?

The workings of the human eye is like a camera in many respects. The camera has a shutter to control the amount of light required; the pupil of the eye performs a similar duty. The camera has a lens, which refracts (bends) the light waves and brings them to a focus on the sensitive plate in the rear of the camera. The crystalline lens in the front of the eye focuses a picture of the object on the retina, the sensitive part of the optic nerve which spreads over the inner surface of the back of the eyeball and does the seeing. A camera is focused by means of movable slides or by substituting a lens of different curvature. The normal human eye

adjusts itself in much the same way. Eyes that fail to adjust properly for distance are known as far-sighted or near-sighted.

18. What is color blindness?  
Color blindness is total or partial inability to distinguish or recognize colors. It is usually partial. It may be a red-green blindness, when these two colors appear gray, or a blue-green blindness when these two colors appear gray. To others red appears green and green as red.

19. Make a diagram for use in describing waves—light, radio, sound, etc.

(1) Draw an up-and-down curved line left to right across a sheet of paper (2) draw a straight line thru the center of the curved line. (3) Put a letter "a" on the end of the line that makes it resemble a wave point; (4) place an "a" just above the first top curve, a "b" above the second one; (5) draw a dotted line a to b; (6) put a "c" just below the first bottom curve and an "o" at the beginning of the straight line. The following properties are common to all waves: Length, Amplitude, and Period (time); a and b represent the crest, or highest point of wave; c the trough, or lowest point of wave motion; the distance one crest to the next (a to b) is a wave length; O represents the general level of the medium; (at equilibrium) when at rest; (at equilibrium) and no movement in either direction, o to a or o to c, is the Amplitude, or half the height of the wave. The time taken for any point to make a complete cycle of motion, as a to c to b, is known as the Period, or time, taken for any single wave to pass a single point. The individual particles do not move forward with the wave, but simply rise and fall as the wave motion passes.

20. Why can't we see around the corner of a building?

Light from any source whatever proceeds in straight lines until it reaches some object, and is reflected from the object at the same angle at which it reaches it. If there is anything between the eye and an object, the rays of light from the object will not get around the obstruction and reach the eye. Light rays can be reflected however, and one could see around a corner by the use of mirrors; a submarine sees in this way when submerged.

21. What is the origin of Ground-Hog day?

Long before the discovery of America there was an old-established folk story in parts of Europe that the bear or the beaver had the ability to make long range weather forecasts on Candlemas day (Feb. 2).

The American colonists brought this tradition with them, but substituted an animal which they considered less giving the task of regulating the length of the winter to the Ground Hog (Woodchuck) the large rodent (suckling) mammal (animal that suckles its young), quite common in the eastern portions of the U. S. and Canada. It is about 18 inches long, reddish-brown fur, digs his deep burrow and hibernates (passes the winter in a state of torpor). On Feb. 2 he is supposed to awaken from his sleep and carefully ventures forth on an inspection trip. If he sees his shadow he returns and prepares to sleep for six more weeks; if he does not see his shadow, the winter is over and he does not return to winter quarters. This little bit of nonsense seems to persist from generation to generation.

## LOVELLS NEWS

Mrs. Roger Caid is away visiting her children at Bay City, Lansing and Detroit.

Mr. Rust of Ohio spent a few days here at his cabin.

Mrs. Ellen Beck has returned to her home in Grayling.

George Burpee has been ill for a few days.

Margaret Douglas is at Ypsilanti attending normal.

Jack Hannon of West Branch was a visitor last week at her sister's, Mrs. Clarence Stillwagon.

Miss Lorna Small of Mio is spending a few days with Miss Cora Newbrow.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Burpee returned to their home in West Branch last week. They had been spending the winter with their son, George Burpee.

Pete Lovely spent Sunday with his family at Grayling.

Archie Feldhauser and children, Virginia and Arthur went to Grayling Saturday.

Gill Caid and D. Miller were in Lewiston Saturday.

## MAIL IMPOSTORS

The past few weeks has witnessed a marked decrease in the number of mail impostors, who chose the height of the holiday season to put over their nefarious schemes. The bait they held out caught a good many of the unwary. "Pawnee Bill," who claimed to be a blind native of Missouri, snared his victims by the thousands through a cheap necktie proposition, coupled with a hard luck story: an enterprising gent down in Florida advertised to ship a box of oranges on the receipt of \$2.00, while a New York firm mailed out packages of Christmas cards by the truck load all over the country, with the polite demand that you send them a dollar in case you did not go to the trouble to return the package, no postage for their return being enclosed.

Due to the activity of the press, especially in the rural communities, the smoke screen thrown by these clever fakirs was quickly dissipated. "Pawnee Bill," which was not his right name, was found to have over 200 people in his employ, while if he suffered from blindness, as he claimed, it was the flood of letters that poured down his cheeks at sight of a golden flood that went into his office from every part of the country. A box of Florida oranges for \$2.00 proved a delusion and a snare. Federal officers swooped down and gathered the fellow to their bosom, earning something like a million dollars from his unsuspecting dupes. The Christmas card enterprise is said to have enticed a pronounced business, but being more modest than the rest, seems to have escaped rough contact with the postal department. A federal statute is being considered which would compel a put an end to this kind of trickery.

Dry wood for sale. Leave orders at Burrows Meat Market.

## FREDERIC SCHOOL NOTES

Marguerite Richards—Editor.  
Francis Hunter.  
Lola Craven—Ass't Editor.

All students are busily engaged in the work of the second semester. Dr. Clippert, Miss Winchell, county nurse, and health officer, Jay O'Dell visited the Frederic school this week.

A beautiful large bronze Lincoln medal is to be awarded to the Frederic high school student submitting the best essay in our Lincoln essay contest.

It was announced this week that Annabelle E. Hunter will give the valedictory and Clayton Doremire the salutatory. The senior class is well pleased with this selection, and feel that they will be well represented.

Some freshmen always overlook simple nominal factors. The students of our newly organized arithmetic class are showing keen interest in their work.

Ehra—"We're going to make candy in cooking class tomorrow."  
Elsie—"Oh! let's make dimity."

Grammar Room

Ethel Wikson has returned to school after an absence of two weeks. The State Sewing Club is arousing great interest among the junior girls. At the next gathering they will endeavor to draft patterns.

Evelyn Doremire has been neither absent nor tardy for the past two months.

The grammar room is interested in listening to the book entitled "Heidi," for opening exercises.

Intermediate Room

Another month started, and we, pupils of the intermediate room, are striving for a higher standard.

We are learning many stories and pieces about Lincoln and Washington.

The fourth grade arithmetic class are struggling with their 9's, but are mastering them fine. Sanford Charon heads the class for speed.

The 6th grade English class are writing stories from outlines.

We enjoyed a visit from our county nurse Monday morning.

We are working on our part of the Lincoln and Washington program to be given in the chapel this month.

Lewis Murphy and Charles Bader of the 3rd grade, Morris Parsons, Floyd Ensign and Sanford Charon of the 4th grade, Ila Welsh, Helen Bader and Liland Charon of the 5th grade have the highest standings for the month. Helma Corsaut stands a close second for having been in the 5th grade for so short a time.

Again welcoming you as a visitor, Mrs. Odell, teacher.

Primary Department

Almost a perfect attendance Monday. Let's keep it up all the week.

Miss Barber (trying to impress the word "boy" on the minds of her beginners)—"Francis, what are you?"  
Francis—"A little rascal."

We have been reading "Black Beauty" at language class time. Everyone seems interested. Many pictures of Black Beauty are shown, which creates a greater interest.

The second graders are learning the 2's and 3's and are doing very well.

Visitors are always welcome.

Miss Barber, teacher.

## FREDERIC NEWS

Mrs. Elwood Barber and son Junior spent the week end at the home of Mrs. C. S. Barber.

Dr. Clippert and county nurse, Miss Winchell visited our school Monday.

Glad to see some of our friends at Sunday school again. Wish more would turn out and help the good work along.

Albert Lewis and Otis Weaver sure did wonderful work on our side streets and roads.

J. W. Payne was a Grayling caller Saturday.

Born January 20th to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Owens, a son. Mother and babe are doing fine.

The Ladies Aid met at the home of Mrs. J. W. Payne on Wednesday and all enjoyed a chicken dinner, which was prepared by Mrs. Payne, Esther Barber and Mrs. Doremire. Those who were absent sure missed the good eats.

Our new health officer is a hustler.

## ALL-YEAR ROUND RESORTS

Some Northeastern Michigan towns are giving more time and thought to the winter sports than ever before and the pioneering in meeting the demands of the enthusiast for outdoors winter sports is, in the estimation of many, a happy augury of that not far distant day when East Michigan and Northeastern Michigan will be mecca for the lovers of the outdoors sport for four full seasons each year. Grayling, which has been a real pioneer in developing the outdoor winter attractions, has gone even further this year by the building of a toboggan and the framing of a real outdoors sports program.

Grayling's interest in the winter outdoors sports movement has always been keen. Residents of Grayling and its environs had their attention attracted to the commercial aspects of winter outdoors sports some years ago when Detroit purchased Grayling snow in carload lots to build slides and toboggans in the Michigan metropolis. Grayling then awoke to the importance of its own special winter time appeals. "Why not bring people to the snow instead of bringing the snow to the people?" was the query aroused by this situation which had but one answer. The result is that Grayling is building up a well developed winter sports program that will not only meet the demands of the local enthusiast but visitors from the outside as well. Toboggan and ski slides, one mile long, have just been completed.

Alpena's interest in the aspect of a winter sports program is reflected in a recent editorial in the Alpena News. "The Alpena district prides itself on its summer delights," says the News. "We ought to take just as much pride in our health and recreation facilities of the winter time. For red blood has a chance to get a red rerder from December to March than ever it could in balmy July and August." The News urges action to provide winter sports facilities.

Grayling is already providing the facilities. Other Northeastern Michigan towns doubtless will follow Grayling's lead.

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You are Cordially Invited to attend the

## Japanese Social Dancing Party

AT Temple Theatre

Thursday Evening, Jan. 27 (tonight)

Decorations will be in Japanese style with favors for the Ladies.

Take part in the Dancing Contests

Schram's Ramblers

Couple \$1.00 Single Ladies 50c Balcony 35c

## Health Talk

### HEALTH TALK

In matters of health, children are the world's champion spendthrifts. A drunken sailor in a Hongkong dive never spent money with the abandon and recklessness of a child spending his energy and vitality to have a good time.

Cost and consequence are words foreign to a child's vocabulary. The important thing to him is whether, from the fleeting moments, he gets the maximum amount of fun and frolic.

Dr. Richard Cabot, renowned Boston doctor and student of life, says people need four things for a whole life: "Work, play, rest and worship." If you ask a child, he will say: "play, play, play and play."

Nature is an exacting master. When her laws of health are disobeyed the punishment she metes out is often severe and lasting. Especially is she exacting with children. For unhealthy habits in childhood the child often pays throughout his life time.

To us, endowed only with earthly wisdom, it seems a little unjust. After all, it is not the child that is to blame, but the parents, and yet, the child must pay.

To ask exactly how much play or work a child needs is like asking how much water it takes to fill a pail. It all depends on the child, and no definite rule can be laid down. Sufficient is to say that children need careful supervision of their day to guard against excesses in play, work or rest. In other words, the parents should "balance" the day for the child.

This is no easy task. Against the child's insatiable appetite for play stands the average adult, all too eager to determine that he should make every minute of the day count. For this purpose they arrange lessons at school that he may be well informed and trained in thinking; lessons at home in music, dancing, elocution, that he may attain some of the graceful arts of society; household tasks or hallowed duties that he may be a contributor to the family life.

To strike the happy balance between too much work and too much play are the parents' job. They must recognize the necessity for both work and play; they must decide when play ceases to be refreshing and is a drain on the child's energy; they must determine the point beyond which work is pure drudgery, harming the child rather than developing him.

When attendance at movies, parties or clubs, when basketball practice or dancing lessons bite into the child's hours for sleep, they have ceased to be recreational. When the moving of laws, the feeding of stock, the washing of dishes or the practice of scales absorbs the child's energy and after school time, they have ceased to be beneficial.

Every child needs approximately ten hours rest. Every child—if he is to rest—should go to his bed without riotous speculations on the adventures of the evening's movie heroine; without the extreme muscular and emotional fatigue which follows hours of exciting games or enforced attention to lessons or work.

Watch your child; he may express his fatigue by drooping shoulders, inattention, underweight, carelessness, an inability to sit still, a tendency to sullenness, sulking, irritability, biting of nails or by a poor appetite.

Look at your child's daily program. Consider his need for work, for play, for sleep and for some kind of rest to exactly as he likes. Consider the demands which are made on his energies by his lessons, his home duties, his clubs or parties, his own spendthrift desire for play. Let the result of your permissions and your directions be a program so balanced that his body and his mind and his soul will each have a chance to grow.

### Diphtheria

In ten years a case of diphtheria will be a curiosity, such is the confident prediction of many doctors today. That is, it will be a curiosity if used is made of the preventative measures now easily taken.

Antitoxin and toxin-antitoxin are the two serums whose use means so much to humanity in combating diphtheria. Antitoxin is a remedy for diphtheria. Toxin-antitoxin is a means for the prevention of diphtheria. Antitoxin is used when a patient is already ill with diphtheria; toxin-antitoxin is used to keep him from being attacked by diphtheria.

Antitoxin, according to authorities, is "almost certain" to effect cure if given on the first day of the disease. It is "likely" to cure if given on the second day, and it is only of "moderate value" if delayed till the third or fourth day.

Persons in contact with a case of diphtheria can be protected by a small dose of antitoxin which will immunize them, or prevent their contracting the disease.

Children, it has been found, are

most susceptible to diphtheria between the ages of one and five years. The practice is becoming very common of giving toxin-antitoxin to pre-school and grade children as a means of preventing diphtheria. It is not universally effective, but is effective in about 85 per cent of all cases. Toxin-antitoxin is given in three doses, a week apart. Usually it causes little discomfort, although in exceptional cases it causes a degree of discomfort may occur.

The results of the use of toxin-antitoxin are nowhere more striking than in Auburn, New York, where a determined campaign has been waged against diphtheria. In 1926 Auburn had 463 diphtheria deaths for every one hundred thousand of her population. The next year the pre-school and school children were immunized with toxin-antitoxin, following which the city had but one diphtheria death for every one hundred thousand population. In 1925 there were no diphtheria deaths in Auburn.

The results of the immunizing campaign challenge attention.

### GIVE AN HONEST TIRE A CHANCE

(By Erwin Greer, president Greer College of Automotive & Electrical Trades, Chicago, Ill.)

Much has been written about tire care, and yet tires continue to wear out. Nothing I can state will prevent your tires from wearing out—ultimately, but if you will heed the advice set forth below more dependable service from your tires will help you save off the day when you must buy new ones.

If we were to take a brand-new tire and hold it under 500 to 800 pounds pressure against a grindstone making 180 revolutions a minute, our tire wouldn't last long.

About the same thing happens to tires when we run them with crooked, wabby, or "shimmying" wheels. The tires grind against the rough pavement instead of rolling along with little friction, as they should.

The wheels themselves may be out of line or dished. Spindle bushings may be worn, causing the wheel to "shimmy." Axles, steering knuckles, or drag links may be bent. Whatever the trouble may be, it is easy to quickly note it in tires that wear out in spots. Then the remedy is simple. Having wheels lined up or axle straightened costs much less than buying new tires every few thousand miles.

Leaks in inner tubes, often called "slow leaks," generally are due to faulty valve inside or the lack of a good valve cap. Many times, if the inside valve does leak, a good valve cap will prevent the tire from going flat.

Quick stops or starts mean a quick end to tires. When the wheels are locked in stopping, and the car keeps on going, the tires slide over the road, instead of revolving, and the rubber is worn off in one spot. When we give the engine too much gas in starting, an unnecessarily heavy strain is put on the section of the tire that grips the pavement, and a weakened tread may result.

After everything is said and done, the service and satisfaction you get will depend upon the tire itself. No amount of coddling on the road will make up for the lack of tough, sturdy, rugged construction which the manufacturer failed to put into the tire at the factory.

Make appointment to meet your friends at our store. Easy to find. Just look for the Light Corner. Music while you wait. Central Drug Store.

### STATE OF MICHIGAN

The probate court for the county of Crawford.

At a session of said court, held at the probate office, in the village of Grayling, in said county, on the 24th day of January A. D. 1927.

Present: Hon. George Sorenson, Judge of Probate.